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TAGS: UNDP, EAID
SUBJECT: 25TH UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL: RESTRUCTURING OF
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SECTORS OF UN SYSTEM -- AGENDA ITEM 7

1. PLENARY SPENT MOST OF JUNE 27 DISCUSSING DP/338 WHICH
CONTAINED ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS ON HOW GA RESOLUTION
32/197 OF LAST DECEMBER, ON RESTRUCTURING OF ECONOMIC
AND SOCIAL SECTORS OF UN, WOULD IMPACT ON UNDP. SIXTEEN
DELEGATIONS SPOKE ON ITEM, MANY IN CONSIDERABLE DETAIL,
AND MORSE MADE LONG BUT RESPONSIVE REPLY. NO DRAFT
DECISION EXPECTED BUT DEBATE WILL BE FULLY REFLECTED IN
FINAL REPORT.

2. FOLLOWING THEMES APPEARED IN STATEMENTS:

1. RESOLUTION 32/197 IS ONLY A FIRST STEP IN THE UN
RESTRUCTURING PROCESS. THAT RESOLUTION WILL BE DIS-
CUSSED IN CONSIDERABLE DETAIL AT ECOSOC.
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MENT SYSTEM.

3. OPERATIONAL OLE OF REGIONAL COMMISSIONS SHOULD
BE STRENGTHENED.

4. UNDP COUNTRY PROGRAM PROCESS SHOULD BE BROADENED
TO INCLUDE OTHER UN AGENCY PROJECTS.

5. "SINGLE OFFICIAL" RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERALL COORDINATION OF OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR DEVELOPMENT AT COUNTRY LEVEL (PARAGRAPH 34 OF 32/197) SHOULD BE UNDP RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE AND HIS COORDINATING ROLE SHOULD BE BROADENED AND STRENGTHENED.

3. FOLLOWING DELEGATIONS SPOKE TO ITEM: JAPAN AUSTRALIA, U.S., FINLAND, SWEDEN, TUNISIA, CANADA, SWITZERLAND, ITALY, FRANCE, NETHERLANDS, POLAND, SIERRA LEONE (MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT), PAKISTAN, MEXICO AND UK.

4. U.S. INTERVENTION (STATEMENT POUCHED) FOLLOWED OUTLINE POSITION PAPER BUT MADE ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS MOST OF WHICH MORSE AGREED TO SUPPORT OR STUDY:

1. PROVIDE LIAISON OFFICERS FOR ESCAP, ECWA AND ECE WITH SIMILAR RESPONSIBILITY TO THOSE ALREADY ESTABLISHED AT ECA AND ECLA (MORSE WILL STUDY).

2. ESTABLISH CENTRAL COMPUTERIZED RECRUITMENT DATA BANK TO FACILITATE HIRING OF EXPERTS (MORSE ACKNOWLEDGED THIS IDEA CONTAINED IN PARA 32, DP/319 AND FULLY SUPPORTS IDEA.)

3. URGED UNDP FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR UNITAR PROPOSAL
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CALLING FOR IN-COUNTRY TRAINING OF NEWLY ARRIVED EXPERTS (MORSE WILL DISCUSS PROJECT IDEA WITH UNITAR.)

4. REQUIRE RESREPS TO PROVIDE AS MUCH PROJECT DETAIL IN COUNTRY PROGRAM BOOK FOR NON-UNDP PROJECTS EXECUTED BY AGENCIES AS FOR UNDP FUNDED PROJECTS (MORSE AGREED).

5. SUPPORTED JAPANESE PROPOSAL CALLING FOR SINGLE UN COUNTRY PROGRAM DOCUMENT (MORSE MOVING IN THAT DIRECTION).

6. INDIVIDUAL APPOINTED AS "SINGLE OFFICIAL" IN COUNTRY WHERE A PARTICULAR SECTORAL INTEREST IS DOMINANT SHOULD BE BROUGHT INTO UNDP AND SHOULD BE GIVEN TITLE OF RESREP (MORSE AGREED).

7. RESREP SHOULD COORDINATE ALL UN TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS REGARDLESS OF SOURCE OF FINANCING (MORSE MADE NO COMMENT).

8. RESREP SHOULD COMPILE ANNUAL PROJECT COMPENDIUM GIVING DETAILS OF ALL PROJECTS BOTH BILATERAL AND

MULTILATERAL. (MORSE AGREED).

9. URGED UNDP GIVE GREATER ATTENTION TO PROPERLY
DESIGNED PROJECTS OUTLINING PROJECT GOALS AND
OBJECTIVES IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE BETTER PROJECT EXECU-
TION FOLLOWING ILO APPROACH. (MORSE AGREED.)

10. INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE SHOULD INCLUDE FAO (MORSE
URGED FAO ATTENDANCE).

5. THERE WERE MANY QUESTIONS AND CONSIDERABLE CONFUSION
ABOUT THE ROLE OF THE "SINGLE OFFICIAL." MORSE READ
FROM PARAS 46 AND 51 OF ACC REPORT TO ECOSOC ON ITS MAY
MEETING. UNFORTUNATELY THIS DOCUMENT WAS NOT YET AVAILABLE

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TO UNDP DELEGATIONS. HE CONFIRMED HOWEVER THAT RESREP
WOULD NORMALLY BE DESIGNATED AS "SINGLE OFFICIAL" AND
WOULD BE PROPOSED BY UNDP ADMINISTRATOR AND APPOINTED BY
SYG. A PERSON TO BE NAMED THE "SINGLE OFFICIAL" WHO WAS
NOT IN UNDP WOULD BE SECONDED TO UNDP AND THEN DESIGNATED
BY SYG. HOWEVER SINGLE OFFICIAL WOULD ONLY HAVE THOSE
RESPONSIBILITIES OUTLINED IN PARA 34 OF 32/197, I.E.,
OVERALL RESPONSIBILITY ON BEHALF OF UN SYSTEM FOR
COORDINATION OF OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR DEVELOPMENT
CARRIED OUT AT THE COUNTRY LEVEL. MORSE SAID ACC'S
INTERPRETATION IS THAT SINGLE OFFICIAL IS NOT RESPONSIBLE
FOR POLITICAL OR OTHER NON-OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND
THEREFORE SINGLE OFFICIAL IS NOT "UN REPRESENTATIVE" IN
COUNTRY.

6. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS ON INTERAGENCY COORDINATION
(ABOLITION OF IACB AND PWG) MORSE SAID THAT DETAILS HAD
NOT YET BEEN WORKED OUT BUT ACC HAD INDICATED THAT
ADMINISTRATOR HAD FREEDOM TO ESTABLISH APPROPRIATE CON-
SULTATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF HIS PROGRAMS.
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